

MAYOR AND COUNCIL STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA SUBCOMMITTEE
Environment, Planning & Resource Management
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY
NOVEMBER 28, 2007

Meeting called to order at 5:07 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Karin Uhlich, Ward 3 (Chair)
Council Member Carol West, Ward 2
Council Member Nina Trasoff, Ward 6

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Karen Masbruch, Assistant City Manager
Fran LaSala, City Manager's Office
Jessie Sanders, Development Services
Irene Ogata, Urban Planning & Design
Albert Elias, Urban Planning & Design
Andrew Quigly, Environmental Services
Matthew Miller, Environmental Services
Holly Lachowicz, Ward 3

AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION	STAFF ACTION
2. Call to the Audience: Dennis Dickerson from Pima Association of Governments (PAG) addressed the subcommittee.	Staff is informed. No action taken.
3. State CAP Board Update: A State CAP Board Update was delivered to the subcommittee via Memorandum from David Modeer from Tucson Water.	Staff is informed. No action taken.
4. Residential Solar Incentive Program: Jessie Sanders from Development Services provided a summary of the solar fee credit incentives over the last two years. The report reflected how the incentives are separated between new construction and retrofits for both commercial and residential. The Solar Fee Credit Incentive program has a sunset date of December 31, 2007. The subcommittee indicated their interest in extending the program for twenty -four more months, with a review after the first twelve months.	Item needs to be scheduled on Mayor and Council Agenda prior to sunset date of December 31, 2007.
5. Review and Endorsement of Final Draft Landscape Management Plan: Irene Ogata from Urban Planning & Design, along with Landscape Advisory Committee (LAC) members Ron Stoltz (Urban Planner), and Susana Morales (Environmentalist) gave a powerpoint presentation to the subcommittee outlining the Urban Landscape Management Plan framework that has been completed by the LAC. The presentation covered three key sections, including urban form, urban ecology and internal communication to complete the project. Integration and coordination with a variety of governmental entities and non-profits will be necessary to complete the plan. Council Member Trasoff motioned to endorse moving forward with the Urban Landscape Framework plan. The motion was seconded by	The item will move forward to a Mayor and Council Study Session in late January/ early February.

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Council Member West, with Council Member Uhlich in agreement.	
<p>6. Low Income Assistance Program for Environmental Services: Andrew Quigly and Matthew Miller from Environmental Services (ES) spoke to the subcommittee regarding the Low Income Assistance Program (LIAP) that Environmental Services took over from Tucson Water in October. The LIAP was implemented on July 1, 2006 and provides a \$12 per month credit toward the monthly Environmental Services Fee. Currently approximately 2.7% of eligible customers are participating in the program. Activities are underway to increase applications, including program inserts in utility bills, as well as application distribution to social services agencies, City offices and the Pima County Community Action Agency (PCCAA), as well as periodic press releases. These efforts have contributed to an increase in new applications. A program membership progress report will be provided to Mayor and Council in six months.</p>	<p>Staff is informed. No action taken.</p>
<p>7. Future Agenda Items: General Plan Recommendations Tucson Water Financial Plan State CAP Board Updates (Ongoing)</p>	
Meeting Adjourned at 6:08 p.m.	